

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Smith et al.

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For: HYDROGEN PLASMA PHOTORESIST STRIP AND POLYMERIC  
RESIDUE CLEANUP PROCESS FOR LOW DIELECTRIC CONSTANT  
MATERIALS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

October 11, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above referenced application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, before line 1, insert --This application claims priority under 35 USC §  
119(e)(1) of provisional application numbers **60/248,996** filed **11/15/00**.--